

**MINUTES
HURST CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2020**

On the 30th day of June 2020, at 5:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Work Session at Hurst City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, by telephone conference to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) with the following members present:

Henry Wilson)	Mayor
Jon McKenzie)	Mayor Pro Tem
David Booe)	
Larry Kitchens)	
Cindy Shepard)	
Cathy Thompson)	
Jon McKenzie)	
Bill McLendon)	
Clay Caruthers)	City Manager
Rita Frick)	City Secretary
Sunny Patel)	Director of Information Services

with the following members absent: none, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

- I. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. Informational Items**
 - **Update and Discussion of upcoming Calendar Items** – No calendar items were discussed.
- III. Update and discussion of State and Local reopening and operational plans due to COVID-19** – Mayor Wilson advised that he is suggesting to waive the current requirements on outdoor sales related to the Farmer’s Market on Karla Drive, until the Council can discuss at the July 31 work session. City Manager Caruthers reviewed administrative waivers staff has utilized due to the COVID-19 pandemic to help businesses during this time. He stated the City has not been as restrictive with the temporary outdoor sales requirement and other conditions, such as temporary signage. He stated if the Council wants to consider the Farmer’s Market allowance on a more permanent basis, Council could have those discussions in July and the temporary administrative allowance could be continued until that time. In response to Councilmember questions, Mr. Caruthers stated, since this is a temporary allowance, other businesses could receive the same consideration, if requested. He stated the

City does not issue a garage sale permit, but there are guidelines that must be followed. He stated the permit process, such as the temporary outdoor sales, allows staff to validate the process to ensure compliance. Mr. Caruthers stated if Council has no objections the Farmers Market allowance would continue until Council makes any desired changes. Mayor Wilson also stated, due to the recent rise in COVID-19 cases, he questions if the Senior Center opening on July 6 is too early. He stated Senior Center staff indicated although the current plan, allows 10 people in the exercise room and 3 people per table in the dance area to have coffee, there are some reservations about opening due to the high risk for patrons. City Manager Caruthers noted staff surveyed neighboring cities and most are not opening as early as July 6. He stated he has received about six calls from individuals that want the center to open and the Recreation Center rules have been relaxed to allow the Senior Center membership to utilize the center. He stated when the Senior Center opens, staff will wear masks when interacting with the public and occupancy levels will be monitored closely. In response to Councilmember questions, Mr. Caruthers stated appointments will be required for the workout area, but the social area will be a first come first serve basis. He stated patrons will be required to wear a mask when they enter the building and can remove when seated at a table eating and drinking. Councilmembers had no objection to the City Manager postponing the Senior Center opening, with an indefinite timeframe reviewing the status of COVID-19 every two weeks. City Manager Caruthers stated he will notify Senior Center staff to advertise the delayed opening and plan to review the status every two weeks.


IV. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

APPROVED this the 14th day of July 2020.

ATTEST:


Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:


Henry Wilson, Mayor